

FINANCIAL SECTOR LAWS AMENDMENT BILL [B15-2020]

Updated proposed amendments submitted by the National Treasury for the consideration of the Standing Committee on Finance

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Financial Sector Laws Amendment Bill, 2020				
Clause	Current Wording	Proposed amendment	Committee Explanation	
Clause 35	A bank as defined in the Banks Act 94 of 1990 (Banks Act), a mutual bank as defined in the Mutual Banks Act 124 of 1993 (Mutual Banks Act) and a co-operative bank as defined in the Co-operative Banks Act 40 of 2007 (Co- operative Banks Act)	 'bank' means each of the following: (a) a bank as defined in the Banks Act; (b) <u>a branch as defined in the Banks Act;</u> (c) a mutual bank as defined in the Mutual Banks Act, 1993 (Act No. 124 of 1993); or (d) a co-operative bank as defined in the Co-operative Banks Act, 2007 (Act No. 40 of 2007); 	This is an alignment with the guidance of the International Association of Deposit Insurers' Core Principles of Effective Deposit Insurance Systems, that all deposit-taking institutions need to be members of the deposit insurance scheme. The amendment is a refinement of the definition of 'bank' to ensure that local branches of foreign banks are included as members of CoDI, this would be that all banks as defined in the Banks Act, Mutual Banks Act and Cooperative Banks Act should be members of CoDI.	
166BA	(2)Without limitingsubsection(1), thefinancialsectorregulatorsmust complywithanyreasonable	(2) Without limiting subsection (1), the financial sector regulators must comply with any reasonable request from the <u>Corporation, including requests to -</u> <u>i. determine standards;</u> <u>ii. issue directives; and</u>	The current wording of clause 166BA(2) limits the use of standards for CoDI to public awareness, but clause 166BH(2) specifies that the interest on the fund liquidity should be	

request from the	iii. promote awareness among financial customers of the	specified in a standard which would not be possible unless the
Corporation, including	protections afforded by this Chapter.	wording of clause 166BA(2) is changed.
requests to determine standards and issue directives, to promote awareness among financial customers of the protections afforded by this Chapter.		This change is also required to allow CoDI to be able to request the financial sector regulators to issue standards for data collection, coverage rules, payout and other funding- related considerations.